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various lines, always from a strongly Christian point of view. Its style is forceful and pleasing, and its quotations, though mostly familiar, are numerous and well chosen. In spite of a tendency here and there to speak too confidently or rhetorically of things that lie hidden from our understanding, it will be likely to find a wide circle of interested readers.

Religious Progress on the Pacific Slope. By Charles Sumner Nash and John Wright Buckham (editors). Boston: Pilgrim Press, 1917. Pp. ix+326. \$2.00.

In October, 1916, the Pacific School of Religion, formerly known as Pacific Theological Seminary, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, the first of its kind to be observed by any Protestant theological school west of the Rocky Mountains. The papers presented at this festival were carefully prepared and were designed to give a wide survey of the religious progress of the coast during a half-century. They are here published, well edited and printed, and make an interesting volume of permanent value. The address by President Main of Grinnell College entitled, "Will Jesus Survive?" is a strong treatment of the subject. Among the historical papers, that of Dr. J. W. Buckham on "Religious Thought" is of superior quality. The book will be a source of the second rank for the religious history of the Pacific coast.

Adventures of the Christian Soul. By K. J. Saunders. Cambridge: University Press, 1916. Pp. xii+145. 3s. 6d.

This is an essay in the psychology of religion, based upon careful research and verified by the results of teaching in mission schools in India. The subjects treated are: the subconscious; religion and childhood; religion and adolescence; conversion; mysticism; prayer and meditation. The adventures of the soul in the experiences of religion are traced in reference to the biological and physiological facts to which they are related in the process of daily living. There is nothing especially new in the treatment of the subject; but the experiences of the writer give a fine freshness to his statements. The chapter on "Prayer" is particularly good.

War-Time "Over Here." By William Allen Knight. Boston: Pilgrim Press, 1918. Pp. xii+139. \$1.00.

This is a war-time book, containing forty-nine short articles, the majority of them originally appearing in the editorial columns of the *Boston Herald*, in which Dr. Knight has endeavored to interpret the meaning of the last year of American history. The composition

is done with the usual deft, clear workmanship of the author. A few of the articles are of more than transient value, but editorials at best are fugitive pieces, and these are of this kind. The interpretation of our complex life is clear, and readers who want a sympathetic and heartening message for war time will find it here.

The Christian Idea in the Modern World. By Raymond Calkins. Boston: Pilgrim Press, 1918. Pp. xii+124. \$1.00.

The author of this book is Rev. Raymond Calkins of the Shepard Memorial Congregational Church in Cambridge, Massachusetts, well known as a clear thinker and master of a forceful literary style. He has gathered here nine articles, which have apparently been used in public address, discussing subjects vital to American thought during the war. He sets forth the Christian idea, clearly and positively, seeking to fit it into the present world-situation. His analysis is trenchant; his insight is accurate and discriminating; he speaks like a prophet. "The Meaning of Non-Resistance" is as thorough a treatment of this challenging subject as we have seen. The two chapters, "The Servant State" and "The Christian Nation," are well-nigh perfect. This book ought to find a wide circle of readers, for it is clarifying to thought, timely in its propositions, and is one of the finest pieces of war literature that has yet appeared in America.

Christ and the World at War. By Basil Mathews (editor). Boston: Pilgrim Press, 1917. Pp. 195. \$1.00.

Here are twelve sermons, preached in England by clergymen of various Christian bodies, including the archbishop of Canterbury, Professor D. S. Cairns, Rev. J. D. Jones, and Rev. G. Campbell Morgan. They are gathered now in order to show the way in which the British pulpit is treating the great subject of the war. It is evident that it is handling it in many ways. Rev. R. F. Horton discusses the subject "Thou Shalt Not Kill" in masterly fashion. Principal Garvie presents "The Theological Outlook in Time of War" in a form that tastes of the lecture-room. Dr. Jones is impassioned in the leash of fine restraint as he calls for a deeper experience of Christ. The general impression produced by this volume is that British preaching in war time is positive, confident, comforting, and deeply earnest. So far as these sermons go, they are not "great"; but they are timely, charged with religious feeling, and are suited to help the average man carry on through dark days. But the pulpit must rise to a higher elevation than these sermons reflect if it is to furnish the inspiration and leadership imperative in a generation as needy as the present.